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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Abstract

Arrear claims - Claims of pay and allowances etc.of Government servants Investigation by the Accountant General - Discount from claims Ordered - Amendments to Madras Financial Code Volume I - Issued.

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O R D E R:

Article 52, Madras Financial Code, Volume I, requires that a claim against the Government if not preferred within one year of its becoming due should not be paid except after pre-audit by the Accountant General, while Article 54 provides that any claim of a Government servant for arrears of pay, allowances etc., which has remained in abeyance for over a year, but not over three years, will not be investigated by the Accountant General except under the special orders of the Government or other competent authority. The Government observe that too many arrear claims have been received recently from Government servants. The attention of all Heads of Departments is drawn to the provisions of Articles 52 and 54 of Madras Financial Code Volume I, and they are requested to avoid belated claims as far as possible.

With a view to reducing the number of late claims and consequent additional work involved in connected offices, the Government direct that in future claims which have remained in abeyance for over six months, will be subject to a discount of 15%, if the delay was due to the claimant's negligence or carelessness. If, howerver, the delay in preferring a claim was due to the illness of the claimant or his having been on leave for a long period or ignorance of rules on his part, the arrears may be paid in full at the discretion of the controlling officer concerned, who should certify on the bill relating to the arrear claim that the delay has been adjudged as not due to the claimant's negligence or carelessness.

2. The following amendments to the Madras Financial Code Volume I. are issued.-

I. Article 52. Add the following as the second sentence in the first sub para of the Article:-

> "A claim of a Government Servant for arrears or pay or allowances or for an increment which has remained in abeyance for over six months will be subject to the discount mentioned in Article 54"

II. Article 54. Delete the existing note under the Article and add the following sentence of the last sub paragaph of the Article:-

> "A claim of a Government servant for arrears of pay or allowances or for an increment which has remained in abeyance for over six months will, in addition to the claim being restricted to the period mentioned above, be further subject to a discount of 15%, except in a case where the controlling authority has satisfied himself that the delay was not due to the negligence or carelessness of the claimant. In all bills for arrear claims over six months old, where no discount has been deducted, a certificate that the delay has been adjudged as not due to the claimant's negligence or carelessness should be furnished by the controlling authority concerned'

(BY ORDER OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR)

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Secretary to Government.

To the Accountant General, Madras.
To all Heads of Departments.
To Departments of the Secretariat.

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